

## OTA Climate Change Resources for Local Governments

### **Building Chemical Safety into Climate Change Resiliency Planning**

Through a grant from the US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), OTA and Regional Planning Agencies (RPAs) will sponsor workshops designed to build awareness and educate Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs), businesses and community stakeholders about toxic chemicals in their communities. This effort will build a sustainable and replicable model for incorporating toxics use reduction into community and regional emergency preparedness and climate change resiliency planning.

### **Preventing Chemical Releases in Your Community**

OTA's free and confidential services can assist RPAs, first responders, and community stakeholders to encourage businesses to incorporate toxics use reduction, thereby decreasing potential climate change weather-related chemical releases by offering the following services:

**Providing GIS data on Toxics Users and Climate Change Vulnerable Areas** 

**Providing Expertise and Training on State and Federal Environmental Regulations** 

**Providing Expertise and Training on Toxic Chemicals** 

**Ensuring That Toxics Users in Your Community are in Compliance with Regulations** 

**Accepting Your Referrals to Toxics Users** 

Engaging Businesses in Toxics Use Reduction, Safer Chemical Storage, and Best Practices



OTA can help communities incorporate toxics use reduction into long-term climate change and emergency preparedness plans. This partnership between government, stakeholders and businesses will develop tools and models that can be used in Massachusetts and beyond, and be applicable in long-term planning.

For More Information on the Building Chemical Safety into Climate Resiliency Planning Project, Contact:

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#### Refer Toxics Users for a 100% Free, Confidential Phone Consultation or Site Visit:

**Industry Contact Information** 

Chemicals & allied products

Metal products Jim Cain: james.cain@state.ma.us

Electronics & electrical equipment

Wholesale trade goods Other expertise: Industrial water management, energy conservation, air emissions

SIC codes: 28, 34, 36, 51

Food processing

Lumber & wood

Powder coating

Furniture & fixtures

Other expertise: VOC emissions & record keeping, spray booth compliance, spray

Dry cleaners

Automotive

SIC codes: 20, 24, 25, 72, 76

Chemical manufacturing

Transportation equipment

Commercial machinery

Computer equipment Miscellaneous industries

SIC codes: 33, 35, 37, 39

Petroleum products

Concrete & ceramics

Measuring instruments & medical devices

Energy generation

SIC codes: 29, 32, 38, 49

**Textiles** Paper

**Printing** 

Biotechnology

Rubber & plastics products

SIC codes: 22, 26, 27, 283, 30,

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coating operations, hazardous waste management

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Other expertise: Energy efficiency, renewable energy technologies, hazardous

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